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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application

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Group: unassigned

Serial No. 10/696,487, filed October 28[29], 2003

Examiner: unassigned

For: METHODS FOR DIAGNOSIS AND THERAPY OF PANCREATIC CANCER AND
COMPOSITIONS USEFUL THEREIN

REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING DATE

Nutley, New Jersey 07110
January 21, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
Office of Initial Patent Examination
Customer Service Center
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

S i r:

Applicants respectfully request a corrected filing date for the above captioned case.

Applicants have now received the return postcard in Serial No. 10/676,677. In reviewing the postcard, it was noted that the filing date of October 28, 2003 is incorrect. The correct filing date should be October 29, 2003.

The usual procedure that Applicants follow for mailing express mail includes pickup of the piece by a representative of the USPS and return of the customer copy of the Express Mail label by return mail. As you can see from the attached Express Mail label (color copy enclosed for clarity), it appears the "carbon" copy shows a "Date In" of October 28, 2003. At some later point, the "8" of "October 28, 2003" was changed, in ink, to a "9". Apparently, this change, made by the USPS, was not made on all copies of the Express Mail label. Applicants received the Customer Copy of the Express Mail label with this ink-corrected "Date In."

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In addition to the Customer Copy of the Express Mail label, Applicants also submit herewith a copy of the "track and confirm" printout from the United States Postal Service for the express mail receipt in question. This printout shows a date in of October 29, 2003, with delivery at the patent office on October 30, 2003. Further, Applicants submit herewith a copy of the Express Mail "Pickup Service Statement", showing Express Mail EL912161588 (the shipment in question) was picked up on October 29, 2003.

For the above reasons, taken in view of the attached copies, Applicants request the filing date of case serial number 10/696,487 be changed from October 28, 2003 to October 29, 2003.

Should there be any questions concerning this request, the Office is urged to contact the undersigned at the number below.

Respectfully submitted,



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Shipment Details

You entered EL91 2161 588U S

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Here is what happened earlier:

- ▣ ARRIVAL AT UNIT, October 30, 2003, 7:42 am, DULLES, VA 20102
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Company Name

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340 KINGSLAND ST BLDG 85

Address 2

FLOOR 7

City

NUTLEY

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NJ

Zip + 4

07110-1199

2. Product Information

Quantity

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FL912161588

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Global Express Guaranteed

Priority Mail

Parcel Post
(Domestic or International)

Estimated total weight
of all packages
(In pounds)

3. Payment Method

☐ Check made payable to
"Postmaster"

☐ Merchandise Return
Label

☐ Express Mail Corporate Account No.
or Federal Agency No.

☐ Postage Due Account

X070276

☐ Stamps or Metered
Postage (Affix at right)

4. Affix Stamps or Meter Strip Here (If applicable)

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5. Customer Signature

Anita Arischi

6. USPS Signature

Paul Horne

7. Date & Time of Pickup

10/29/03 3:10 PM

PS Form 5541C October 2001

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Ref. 2146005



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EL 912161588 US

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